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This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

- 1-18. (Previously Cancelled without Prejudice).
19. (Currently Amended) A method of selling goods through an electronic blind supply open commerce computer business system comprising:
- receiving product information for said goods that is uploaded by distributors, who are not manufacturers of said goods, over a network to said computer business system which includes ~~the name of the manufacturer of said goods~~, product identification information and a set price specified by said distributors for said goods;
  - automatically calculating a fixed sales price from ~~marking-up~~ said set price specified by said distributors in said computer system ~~to a sales price~~;
  - automatically generating entries in said computer business system that include said fixed sales price, and said product identification information, ~~and said name of said manufacturer of said goods~~;
  - providing a listing of said goods from said entries on said computer business system without revealing ~~said name of~~ said distributors so that said distributors remain anonymous to purchasers at all times while said goods are listed on said computer business system and after said goods are sold, so that said distributors may sell said goods on said electronic blind supply open commerce computer business system without affecting a pricing structure established by said distributors for said goods;
  - making said listings of said goods available to said purchasers on said computer business system through a network connection to allow said purchasers to purchase said goods at said fixed sales price over said network without bidding in an auction.
20. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 37 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods comprises the process of paying said distributor after said purchaser accepts said goods.

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21. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 20 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods comprises the process of accepting a shipping tracking number, shipping method, and ship date.
22. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 21 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods comprises the process of accepting payment by credit card.
23. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 21 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods comprises the process of accepting payment in an escrow account set up for said supplier.
24. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 21 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods comprises the process of accepting an electronic funds transfer.
25. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 21 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods comprises the process of accepting a mailed check.
26. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 19 wherein said process of automatically generating entries in said system comprises the process of generating a listing of goods that includes product information comprising a part number.
27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 26 wherein said product information further comprises a product description, product specifications, and product category information.
28. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 27 further comprising the process of automatically providing product information in an aggregated, searchable database and through links to third party websites in said computer business system.
29. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 26 further comprising the process of automatically supplying information about the performance of said supplier including fill grade and fill rate in said computer business system.
30. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 28 wherein said searchable database automatically provides the ability to search in-stock products, products available by geographical region and a cross reference by product number.

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31. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 29 wherein making said listing available to said purchasers through a network comprises making said listing available to said purchasers through the Internet.
32. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 31 wherein said purchasers access said system over the Internet through a third party marketplace.
33. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 31 wherein said purchasers access said system over an intranet of said purchaser.
34. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 31 wherein said purchasers access said system via a corporate procurement system of said purchaser.
35. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 19 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods comprises the process of automatically faxing said purchase orders from said computer business system.
36. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 37 wherein said process of completing the sale of said goods comprises the process of automatically e-mailing purchase orders from said computer business system.
37. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19 further comprising:
  - automatically accepting a sales order on said computer business system from a qualified purchaser that includes a purchase price that satisfies said fixed sales price;
  - automatically generating a purchase order on said computer business system in response to said sales order that includes said product information and said set price specified by said distributor for said goods;
  - electronically transmitting said purchase order to said distributor from said computer system;
  - completing the sale of said goods using said electronic blind supply open commerce business computer system.
38. (New) A method of selling goods through an on-line blind computerized selling system comprising:
  - receiving product information for said goods from sellers of said goods over a network to said on-line blind computerized selling system which includes product identification information and a set price specified by said sellers for said goods;

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automatically calculating a fixed sales price from said set price specified by said sellers in said blind supply system;

automatically generating entries in said blind supply system that include said fixed sales price and said product identification information;

providing a listing of said goods from said entries on said computer business system without revealing said sellers so that said sellers remain anonymous to purchasers at all times while said goods are listed on said blind supply system and after said goods are sold, so that said sellers may sell said goods on said blind supply system without affecting a pricing structure established by said sellers for said goods; and

making said listings of said goods available to said purchasers on said on-line computerized selling system through a network connection to allow said purchasers to purchase said goods at said fixed sales price over said network without bidding in an auction.